

In this Preliminary Amendment, Applicant amends the title. Additionally, Applicant adds claims to the right of priority and benefit. Further, Applicant cancels, without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 1-14. The originally-filed specification, claims, abstract, and drawings fully support the amendments to the title and specification. No new matter was introduced.

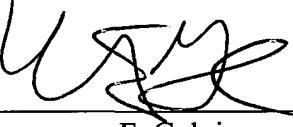
Before entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-29 were pending in this application. After entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 15-29 are pending in this application.

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**APPENDIX TO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Amendments to the Title**

Please amend the title, as follows:

[METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A CARCASS STRUCTURE] TYRE FOR A  
VEHICLE [TYRES, AND A CARCASS STRUCTURE OBTAINED THEREBY] WHEEL

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